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Atty. Gen. John Ashcroft
US DoJ
950 Penna. Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20530


Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

After three long years of court battles Microsoft and Department of Justice have reached an agreement regarding the antitrust suit. This settlement will be beneficial to both the IT industry and the consumers alike. It is necessary that those who are involved in the suit put aside their differences and work to put this issue behind them.

This settlement will help strengthen the economy during this difficult time and ensure that the industry continues to deliver advanced technology to the market. Your office has thus done well in offering a reasonable settlement, and I think you should see it through to the end. I appreciate the hard work you have done on this case.

It is time for you to stop all action taking place at the federal level regarding this case. Let Microsoft get back to innovating and stop wasting its time litigating. Your settlement offer is fair and balanced, please don't back out on it now.

Sincerely,



Jerry Parker